



Fulking's Finest

# Pigeon Post

## October's Village Miscellany

### Orphanage Clothes Thanks

Thank you very much to everyone who donated clothes etc, writes [Flynn Rushton](#). I now have more than enough to send out this time but if anyone has a fairly large suitcase that they no longer need it could definitely come in handy the next time I send an extra bag out with someone flying to Bangalore.

### Beware security company scam in Fulking

The other day I had a visit from a company called Direct Response Security, says [James Lightfoot](#). They cold-called me on the phone and promised to install £1000 worth of equipment for 99p. The saleswoman who came took over an hour to pitch, then informed me out of the blue that the installation charge would be £299 with an ongoing charge of £59 per month for a 5-year contract. Don't fall for this. They are not competitive, in fact they are over twice as much as some of their competitors and have been rebuked by the Office of Fair Trading. If you say 'No' as I did, you'll be offered a better deal, but forced to make your mind up there and then. If you don't, you'll receive harassing calls until they finally get the picture.

There are accredited alarm

system suppliers in our area; you can find them on the National Security Inspectorate website ([www.nsi.org.uk](http://www.nsi.org.uk)), and they will offer you a much better deal.

More detail from both sides at <http://blogs.mirror.co.uk/investigations/2009/07/direct-response-security-vows.html>

### Cash point scare

If you used the HSBC cash till in Hassocks recently, please check your bank account. A device to skim card details has been found on this till, and some customers have noticed fraudulent activity on their accounts. If you have any details, phone Sussex Police on 0845 6070999, ref 812 26/09/2010.

Report all non-urgent problems promptly on this number. But for a 'Crime in Progress' (even if it seems minor) call 999. The staff are trained to check all the details with you, and also to decide how urgently a Police/ Fire/ Ambulance response is required. If you are deaf, or speech impaired, you can now text a mobile phone message describing the problem to 65999.

Our Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Eve Todhunter, who also covers Poynings, can be contacted on 0845 6070999. Please also

report burglaries and/or damage to myself, [Richard Corner](#), on 219.

### Rushfields Farm Shop opening

[Colin](#) and [Pam](#) at Rushfields Plant Centre warmly invite Fulking villagers to the formal opening of the Rushfields Farm Shop on Saturday 23 October. Come along and enjoy a free hog roast, a pumpkin giveaway for kids and tastings from several local food producers. The shop will be formally opened at 11am, so enjoy a glass of bubbly with them then – otherwise, drop by any time during the day from 10am to 5pm. See [www.rushfields.com](http://www.rushfields.com)

### Shepherd & Dog news

The Argus is doing a fantastic promo – 'Dine for Less', says [Jenny Tooley](#). Our offer is two meals for the price of one. Each diner needs a token, which are printed in the Argus daily. There is also a bonus token that can be downloaded from their website ([theargus.co.uk](http://theargus.co.uk)) along with a list of over 50 participating pubs and restaurants. Great value!

We have also introduced The Great British Pie Night on Wednesdays and Fridays. We are specializing in fish, along with our current menu on both days.

We have also just had the stream dug out and hopefully that will help solve any overflow

## Village Diary

Thursday 14 October, 8pm  
ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
Preston Nomads Cricket Club House  
[Paula Hazard](#), 957

Wednesday 20 October, 7.30pm  
SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING  
Village Hall  
[Jenny Tooley](#), 382

Friday 29 October, 7.45pm  
GAMES EVENING – All Welcome  
Village Hall  
[Jen Green](#), 552

Saturday 30 October, 10am  
NORTH TOWN FIELD TIDY UP  
Not entire village!  
[John Hazard](#), 957

Sunday 31 October, 5.30pm  
VILLAGE TRICK OR TREAT!!!  
Outside The Keep  
[Alison](#), 705

Saturday 6 November, 6.15pm  
POYNINGS BONFIRE!!!  
Behind Forge Garage  
Procession from Royal Oak 6.15

of water onto the road. Since doing this the Council (via talks with [Tony Brooks](#)) have started work on other nearby areas again to hopefully solve the flooding on the corner by the stream – we shall wait and see!

On Friday 10 September, intrepid walkers in the Isles of Scilly took on the Inter Island Charity Walk, organised to connect four of the islands by foot and raise funds for marine charities. Fifty-one wetsuited hikers, including [Jill Bremer](#), late of this parish and the contributor of this stirring tale, waded at times up to their chests in the clear blue water. 'We also walked across the

## Bremer's Scilly Walks



shallower flats,' says [Jill](#), 'to the uninhabited island of Sampson – surrounded by seabirds and sand. The next crossing was quite deep and fast flowing and we were well aware of the changing tide but we had lifeguards, event stewards and a support boat with us. Speed was of the essence as we did the final crossing but everyone completed the challenge in the two and a half hours and arrived exhausted but exhilarated.'

Amazing deal! Advertise in Pigeon Post for just £7 per issue or £60 for 11 issues. Contact Aidan Walker, details above



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### Bed and Breakfast in Fulking



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